

## **Appleby Archaeology**

Notes of the Committee Meeting of the Appleby Archaeology Group held on Thursday June 11th 2009 at Pear Tree Cottage Skirwith.

### Present

Richard Stevens	Chairman
Tony Greenwood	Publicity
Mike Godfrey	Treasurer
Martin Railton	Field Work/Research
Phyllis Rouston	Secretary

Apologies Liz Hawkins Martin Joyce

### Notes of the last meeting and extra meeting of April 16th

The notes were agreed to be correct records of the meetings..

### 1/06/09 Matters Arising

9/11/08 Papers from Mr Le Crane:-these are now with Tony and in due course those referring to Brampton Mill will be given to the present owners.

3/02/06..Membership remains steady. Liz had advised that no reminder notices had been required..

### 2/06/09 Treasurer's Report

Mike tabled a statement of accounts for 1/01/09-11/06/09. The current balance is £4063.21 with £3000 plus ring fenced to pay for Brackenber projects.

Signatories for bank account:- Martin Joyce is now the third signatory along with the treasurer and secretary.

### 3/06/09 Brackenber Research Excavations

Martin R updated the committee.

The geophysical survey on Brackenber Moor 30th March-1st April 2009 had been exciting. Three sites had been identified, a possible enclosure at Coupland Beck, a possible Roman signal station on Brackenber Moor and an earthwork, which was inspected visually but not surveyed at Coupland Beck. The three sites would merit further evaluation. English Heritage is interested and might, in the future, help with funding further evaluation. Martin gave the committee two copies of the written report, Richard to send one to CWAAS, and one on disc for Martin J to add to the web site.

Phase 2 excavation is scheduled for the 18th- 25th July 2009, the first week of the Festival of British Archaeology. Application forms were sent out in the June Newsletter. Martin is currently resolving a possible hitch in having access to a caravan.

TIC Exhibition National Heritage Weekend 12th & 13th September 2009

Martin R, Phyl and Tony to liaise re setting this up.

### 4/06/09 Communications

CFLHA Notice of Annual Convention and AGM Saturday 26th September and invitation to exhibit this was declined.

CBA North Summer Activities Information to be circulated by email to members (Phyl Appleby and Westmorland Society Newsletter. We have resumed sending them our newsletter.

Cumbria CVS Newsletters and notice of AGM.

CBA Directory of Festival of British Archaeology and notices to advertise our event. Tony to follow up.

### **5/06/09 Programmes 2009/10**

Summer Details in June Newsletter.

June Sunday 21st afternoon walk to Scordale Mine 2 pm meeting at Town Head Hilton OS 737 207 Group to walk to mine and meet Frank there. Richard Phyl to liaise.

August Saturday 1st Eric Matthews has agreed to lead this walk.

### **Winter 2009**

September 8th Alison Plummer Oxford Archaeology North *Excavations at Brougham* 2008.

October Saturday 3rd Conference *Medieval Life in the Eden Valley*.

November 10th Dr Anne Bell Appleby Archaeology Group *Iranian Archaeology-Persepolis*.

December 8th Matthew Town, North Pennines Archaeology, *Lancaster's Delftware Industry*. Recent excavations of an important post-medieval delftware pottery in Lancaster City.

### **2010**

January 12th AGM and Members' Evening. Barbara Blenkinship, pottery (follow up on December talk) and Martin Joyce, Roman Calendar.

**January Thursday 28th Invitation** to join the Appleby and Westmorland Society to hear Dan Elsworth Greenlanes Archaeology on *Archaeological Excavations on Boroughgate Appleby*

February 9th not confirmed Phyl to contact Sheena Gemmell to talk on the Scots and Picts.

March 9th Mark Graham of Grampus Heritage on *The Bassenthwaite Lake Project, in the LDNP*,

April 13th Paul Frodsham Historic Environment Officer North Pennines AONB Partnership *Prehistory of the North Pennines*.

### **6/06/09 Conference 2009 Medieval Life in the Eden Valley**

#### **Funding**

Sponsorship was sought from three sources one reply received regretting that AW Jenkins can not support us.

#### **Grants**

Cumbria Community Foundation application for £900 they meet on 30/6/09.

Appleby Town Council application for £250 they meet in September.

Recent communication with Paul Frodsham Historic Environment Officer North Pennines AONB Partnership has been helpful. He may be able to help and he suggested that it would be worth contacting CBA for funding. Richard will contact Suzie Thomas and Mike Hayworth. (reply 12/6/09 unable to help but suggested contacting CBA North)

#### **Speakers**

Tom Clare has been dropped and the programme adjusted.

It was agreed that it would be inappropriate to ask speakers to reduce or waive their fees but it is hoped they will accept the offer of accommodation in our homes.(minutes of 16/4/09). Richard to contact them.

#### **Advertising**

National and regional advertising is in place. David Kay, in consultation with The upper Eden History Society will arrange to send out a flier with their next mailing circa June 20th. Tony to copy flier and contact David ASAP.

The flier in the Newsletter has had an encouraging response.

It was agreed that information should now be sent to Libraries and TICs with local poster displays nearer the time. Tony

#### **Conference Day**

The fee for the School has been confirmed as £175 the same as in 2007  
The TIC Exhibition on Brakenber will be on display in the foyer on the day .

**7/06/09ANOB**

CBA North would like information on any ongoing projects. Martin R will update them

**Date and time of next meeting Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September at at 7.30pm at Northgate Milburn**

PHR 12/6/09